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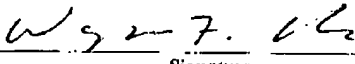
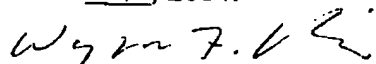
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Applicant(s): <b>Badovinatz et al.</b>						
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Invention: <b>PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR AN APPLICATION PROGRAMMING INTERFACE UNIFYING MULTIPLE MECHANISMS</b>						
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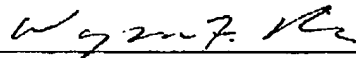
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